

In these uncertain times of Terrorism.

What would happen if we suddenly lost the ability to communicate? Worse yet, what if communications go down during a time of crisis? Such an event is possible, of course. Indeed, it has already occurred.

What happened on September 11, 2001, should have taught us a very important lesson: Our communications systems are most likely to fail precisely when we need them most – and we must do what we reasonably can in advance to protect ourselves.

I support any local weather, traffic and FEMA broadcasts by XM Satellite Radio and other SDARS companies.

These crises, such as September 11, 2001 demonstrate the need to have communications networks that will remain up and running at all times. The more redundant communications facilities the better off we all will be.

By NAB filing petition 04-160. I feel NAB is trying to put up a wall to block such communications by SDARS companies. This will only be diminishing our chance to communicate in times of Emergency.

With the best interests of all Americans in mind, please reject petition 04-160.

Sincerely,
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